No. G. 4672—G. M. 212-07-2, dated 5th February 1908.

The following Resolution of the Government of India in the Department of Commerce and Industry is published for general information :—

By Order,

C. S. BALASUNDARAM IYER,
Offg. Secy. to Govt., Gen. & Rev. Depts.

No. 10724-10740—246.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

GEOLOGY AND MINERALS.

RESOLUTION.

Dated Calcutta, the 18th December 1907.

The following Royal Warrant is published for general information :—

WHITEHALL, *October* 17, 1907

The King has been pleased to issue a Warrant under His Majesty's Royal Sign Manual to the following effect :—

Edward, R. & I.

Edward the Seventh, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India, to all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting!

Whereas We are desirous of distinguishing by some mark of Our Royal Favour the many heroic acts performed by Miners and Quarrymen and others who endanger their own lives in saving or endeavouring to save the lives of others from perils in Mines or Quarries within Our Dominions and in territories under Our Protection or Jurisdiction, We do by these presents for Us, Our Heirs, and Successors institute and create a new Medal to be awarded for such acts of gallantry.

Firstly.—It is ordained that the Medal shall be of two classes which shall be designated and styled "The Edward Medal of the First Class" and "The Edward Medal of the Second Class."

Secondly.—It is ordained that the Edward Medal of the First Class shall consist of a circular Medal of Silver with Our Effigy on the obverse, and on the reverse a design representing the rescue of a miner with the inscription "for courage."

Thirdly.—It is ordained that the Edward Medal of the Second Class shall consist of a Circular Medal of Bronze of a similar design.

Fourthly.—It is ordained that the Medals shall only be awarded to those of Our Faithful Subjects and others who, in saving or endeavouring to save the lives of others from perils in Mines and Quarries within Our Dominions and in territories under Our Protection or Jurisdiction, have endangered their own lives, and that such award shall be made only on a recommendation to Us by Our Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department.

Fifthly.—It is ordained that the names of those upon whom We may be pleased to confer either of these Decorations shall be published in the *London Gazette*, and that a Register thereof shall be kept in the Office of Our Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department.

Sixthly.—It is ordained that each Medal shall be suspended from the left breast and the riband, of an inch and three-eighths in width, shall be dark blue with a narrow yellow stripe on either side: Provided that when the Medal is awarded to a woman it shall be worn on the left shoulder, suspended from a riband of the same width and colour, fashioned into a bow.

Seventhly.—It is ordained that any act of gallantry which is worthy of recognition by the award of the Edward Medal, but is performed by one upon whom the Decoration has already been conferred may, on a recommendation to Us by Our Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, be recorded by a Bar attached to the riband by which the Medal is suspended; and for every such additional act an additional Bar may be added.

Eighthly.—In order to make such provision as shall effectually preserve pure these most honourable Decorations it is ordained that if any person, on whom either of such Decorations is conferred be guilty of any crime or disgraceful conduct which, in Our judgment disqualifies him for the same, his name shall, by an especial Warrant under Our Royal Sign Manual be forthwith erased from the Register of those upon whom the said Decoration shall have been conferred and his Medal shall be forfeited. And every person to whom the said Medal is given shall before receiving the same, enter into an agreement to return the same, if his name shall be so erased as aforesaid under this regulation. It is hereby further declared, that We, Our Heirs and Successors, shall be the sole judges of the circumstances demanding such forfeiture. Moreover, We shall at all times have power to regrant a Medal to any person whose Medal may at any time have been forfeited.

Given at Our Court at *Saint James's*, the thirteenth day of *July*, one thousand nine hundred and seven, in the seventh year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

H. J. GLADSTONE.

ORDERED that the paper be published in the supplement to the *Gazette of India*, and that copies be forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations noted in the margin, to the Finance and Foreign Departments, the Railway Board, the Chief Inspector of Mines in India and the Indian Mining Association, for information.

The Secretary to the Government of Madras, Revenue Department.
" " " " Bombay " "
" Chief Secretary to the Government of Bengal.
" " " " the United Provinces.
" " " " Punjab.
" Revenue Secretary " " Burma.
" Chief Secretary to the " " Eastern Bengal and Assam.
" Honourable the Chief Commissioner, Central Provinces.
" Honourable the Resident at Mysore and Chief Commissioner of Coorg.
" Chief Commissioner of Ajmer-Merwara.
" Honourable the Agent to the Governor General and Chief Commissioner, North-West Frontier Province.
" Agent to the Governor General in Baluchistan.

W. L. HARVEY,
Secy. to the Government of India.